

## TO CHECK A COMBINE.

Hereafter All Star Route Bidders Must Agree to Live on or Contiguous to the Route.

Washington, Sept. 1.—The office of the second assistant postmaster general is preparing the annual advertisement, which will be issued about September 15, for the carrying of mail on star routes. This advertisement will be of unusual importance, as it is designed to check an alleged proposed combination of star route bidders, and for the first time will require as a guarantee of satisfactory performance of service that every accepted bidder, whatever may be his residence at the time of bidding, must agree to live on or contiguous to the route and personally superintend the performance of service. It recently has come to the notice of the department that certain speculative bidders will seek to secure a number of routes by inducing some local attorney or other person in each of the counties to allow the use of his name as a bidder for a consideration. The law, however, prohibits any subletting of contracts without the consent of the postmaster general.

## TERRIFIED PASSENGERS.

Panic on an Electric Car Near Akron, O. Results in the Death of One Person and Injury of Others.

Akron, O., Sept. 1.—As the result of a panic on an electric car at Silver Lake, a suburban resort, one person was killed and three others injured. The panic was caused by a fire burning out and flames bursting up through the rear floor. The passengers became terrified and made a frantic effort to get off. Ferdinand Borgez, Jr., in jumping, struck against a trolley pole and was killed.

## Santa Fe Is Not Behind It

Chicago, Sept. 1.—President Hixley, of the Santa Fe, authorizes a denial of the story that his company is back of the St. Louis, Kansas City & Colorado line, which is now being extended from Union, a station about 60 miles west of St. Louis, presumably to Kansas City. Ex-Gov. David B. Francis is president of the company.

## Trains Could Not Be Controlled.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 1.—Two Wash locomotives and three freight cars of a fast freight train plunged through an open draw bridge into the Rouge river at Detroit. The engine crews had remarkably narrow escapes and no one was injured. The heavy train approached the bridge too rapidly to be controlled.

## Groom 84, Bride 77.

Webb City, Mo., Sept. 1.—A peculiar marriage was celebrated here yesterday. The groom, L. N. Canan, is 84 and the bride, Mrs. Armstrong, is 77. Both have great-grandchildren living.

The breaking of an axle on the freight train on the Chicago Great Western road near Caywood, Mo., caused the wrecking of nine cars and heavy financial loss.

## Rumor That \$100,000 Was Stolen.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Sept. 1.—An unconfirmed report is in circulation here that the Union Pacific express car robbed by five men at Tipton Wednesday night contained \$100,000 in gold destined to pay off the soldiers in the Philippines. It is said that the robbers secured the whole shipment.

## More Men Than Women.

Nevada, Mo., Sept. 1.—There are now 824 inmates in state insane asylum No. 2, by far the largest in the history of the institution. Of this number 466 are men and 358 are women.

The United States transport Thomas, with sick and wounded soldiers from the orient, many of whom were wounded at Tien Tsin, has reached San Francisco.

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## Kiowa and Comanche Reservation.

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This Indian reservation is located between the Washita river on the north and Red river on the south and between the 96th meridian of west longitude on the east and North Fork of Red river on the west, and contains in round numbers 4,000,000 acres. From this will be deducted about one million acres taken up by the mountains, and a like amount to be allotted to the Indians, leaving about two million acres to be thrown open to

white settlers. The lands occupied by the mountains is only available for grazing purposes and the rich mineral deposits contained therein. These it is claimed are rich in gold, silver, tin, and coal. These are still to be developed.

The lands outside of the mountains are undulating prairie, well watered with living streams of water and springs, while water is found by digging at depths of twenty to thirty feet. All the streams bear a more or less fringe of timber, while large areas are covered with a growth of mesquite trees, a timber which makes good fence posts and is excellent fuel. Other sections and some streams bear a growth of timber large enough to saw into lumber. Any or all of these timber lands are productive, and will make fine farms.

By an Act of Congress approved June 6, 1900, the above reservation is to be opened to settlement. On the north side of this reservation is another known as the Wichita reservation, which may be included at the same time, but this is not yet known. The law opening the reservation provides that the allotments shall be made in from three to six months, and makes it the duty of the President to issue a proclamation opening the country within six months after the allotments are made. It is not likely that the president will take the six months, and he may issue his proclamation immediately after the allotments are made. Thus it may be seen the lands may open at any time from the early spring to summer of next year.

There need be no doubt of the productivity of these lands. They have been tried in every quarter with a result that has produced 20 to 30 bushels of wheat, and 40 to 50 bushels of corn per acre. These crops have been raised by farmers living on Indian lands. The valleys of the Washita, of Cache creek, Beaver, and other streams are more or less cultivated every year, and always give good returns. The uplands are productive of all cereals, and afford the finest grazing in the world.

The lands to be opened to white settlement, after the Indian has taken his allotment, will give homes to nearly 10,000 families. The price of these lands will be \$1.25 per acre, payable at the end of five years residence. No better chance to get a home in this superb climate will ever be known again. The climate is all that can be desired, being a happy medium between the hot climate of Texas and the cold climate of Kansas or Missouri. The days are never excessively hot, nor the winters excessively cold. In summer days the mercury seldom goes above a hundred, while the nights are invariably cool. In winter the mercury seldom goes below zero, and then for only a day or two. The reservation has one line of railroad on its northern border, following the Washita river, with two more surveyed and will probably be built before the opening, which will give market facilities equal to an older country.

CHICKASHA, Indian Territory, lies two miles east of the eastern border of this Indian reservation, and is a city of 4,000 people, with all that goes to make a city of that size. It is lighted with electricity, has a 500 barrel per day flouring mill, an 80-ton per day cotton seed oil mill, local and long distance telephone, is one of the seats of the U. S. Court system, two wholesale grocery stores, ten retail grocery stores, eight dry goods houses, four gent's furnishings, four hardware and implement houses, four lumber yards, three banks, five drug stores, two jewelry stores, one steam carpenter shop, three hotels, lodging houses, and restaurants in numbers, together with all shops of blacksmiths, boot and shoe, etc., that go to make up a growing, pushing city. It has six church buildings, with stated preachers, two school buildings in which school is maintained every year.

The people of the city and surrounding country are intellectual and cultivated people gathered from nearly every state in the Union. No better people exist anywhere.

The city is incorporated, has a mayor and board of aldermen, and law and order prevail here as in older states and communities. Business is carried on, debts are collected, offenses against morality or any disorder or crime punished, the same as in the states. Don't think that because this is the Indian Territory that the people are outlaws, and that all is "wild and woolly." The "Indians" in this vicinity are among our most respected people—progressive, educated and refined. These are the Indian Territory "Indians," the reservation Indian is not the same, yet he is peaceable and fast civilizing. Your life, your property and your earnings are as safe here as in the oldest state in the Union.

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